## **Sullivan County NH**

Type of Meeting: Date/Time:

Sullivan County Full Delegation October 20, 2006 / 10:00 AM

Place:

**Newport Remington Woodhull County Complex** 

Jury Assembly Room

Members Present: Rep. John Cloutier, Rep. Larry Converse, Rep. Tom Donovan, Rep. Brenda Ferland, Rep. Peter Franklin, Rep. Arthur Jillette, Rep. Beverly Rodeschin, Rep. Harry Gale, Rep. Stephen Prichard, Rep. Philip Osgood, and Rep. James Phinizy

Members Absent: Rep. Chris Irish, Rep. Houde-Quimby

Commissioners Present: Comm. Don Clarke, and Comm. Ethel Jarvis

Other Elected Officials and County Employees Present: Ed Gil de Rubio, County Manager

The recessed meeting of the full delegation was called to order at 10:00am. Commissioner Ethel Jarvis led the pledge to the flag. The first item of business was old business.

Rep. Gale moved and Rep. Rodeschin seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2006 recessed meeting. The motion was approved by a voice vote with Rep. Ferland abstaining, as she was not present on July 14. Rep. Cloutier noted that the August 30<sup>th</sup> meeting failed to provide a quorum and a recording of the meeting is available.

**New Business:** Mr. Gil de Rubio introduced Scott Wojtkiewicz, the new Administrator of the County Home Complex. Mr. Wojtkiewicz spoke a few words and then left the meeting.

Mr. Gil de Rubio introduced Mr. Graham to give us an update on the MS42 report form. Mr. Gil de Rubio gave an overview of the changes that had been made in the revised report form. A copy of the revised form was provided to all delegation members. Mr. Graham gave a detailed analysis of how the form had been revised. Various members of the delegation asked specific questions about items in the report. Rep. Ferland noted for the record that in spite of all the changes made to the report the bottom line, in terms of taxes to be collected, has not changed.

Rep. Ferland moved, and Rep. Prichard seconded a motion to accept the revised MS42 report form. Rep. Cloutier affirmed with Mr. Graham that the form would now be acceptable to the DRA. A discussion of the motion ensued. Following a number of questions by Rep. Franklin, Rep. Prichard proposed, and Rep. Gale seconded a motion to call the question. The question was called. By a hand count, 7 were for calling the question and 4 were opposed. The motion carried. The vote on the motion was by roll call as follows: Converse, N; Donovan, N; Ferland, Y;

Franklin, N; Gale, Y; Jillette, Y; Phinizy, Y; Prichard, Y; Rodeschin, Y; Osgood, Y; Cloutier, Y. The motion passed, 8 yes / 3 no.

The final exit interview with the auditors has not been held. The time for that will be announced at a later date. It may be part of a Commissioners meeting. Rep. Cloutier proposed that the delegation meet on the same day as the auditor's visit to ask any questions they might have. Rep. Ferland suggested that the agenda continue and the questions for the auditors be generated at the close of this meeting.

A motion was made by Rep. Gale and seconded by Rep. Prichard to invite the delegation to the auditor's exit interview with the commissioners and be allowed to ask questions. Rep. Franklin urged that the motion be defeated. Rep. Ferland suggested that we meet Friday, Nov. 20 at 10:00am. It was decided by acclamation to do this. The previous motion was withdrawn.

Comm. Clarke, speaking for the Commissioners, reviewed changes in the revised Judkins Property Agreement. This update was a courtesy to the delegation. There was a discussion of the history of the previous action of the delegation regarding this agreement.

Rep. Franklin asked for a 5-minute recess, which was reluctantly granted by Chair. The meeting resumed after 4 minutes had passed.

Suggestions for the FY 2008 budget process were discussed. Rep. Ferland supported reducing the Finance Committee to three delegation members. Rep. Gale voiced thanks to Rep. Ferland for her work on the Executive Finance Committee. Rep. Osgood suggested that any changes to the committee be put off until after the election. Rep. Prichard spoke in favor of reducing the size of the Executive Finance Committee.

Old Business: Rep. Osgood questioned if any answer to a previous inquiry to the Attorney General's office had been received. Chairman Cloutier indicated that he had had difficulty contacting the Atty. General's office regarding the question during the summer, and it had finally slipped his mind. He indicated that he would try to get an answer by the next meeting.

Rep. Ferland mentioned that it would be helpful to meet the counselor at the House of Correction. She suggested it would be helpful for the counselor to speak to the delegation at a future meeting. It was decided to have this happen on the new delegation organization day to be held in Unity on December 13.

A motion to adjourn was proposed by Rep. Rodeschin, seconded by Rep. Osgood and carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur G. Jillette, Jr., Delegation Clerk